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SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

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SUBJECT: JOHN EDWARD PIC

ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT
JOHN F. KENNEDY, 11/22/63,
DALLAS, TEXAS

Staff Sergeant JOHN EDWARD PIC, Air Force Serial Number AF 11313239, Non-Commissioned Officer in Charge of the Clinical Microscopic Branch, Medical Squadron, Wilford Hall, U. S. Air Force Hospital, Lackland Air Force Base, principally in connection with reports that in the early 1950's Sergeant PIC's wife, then living with Sergeant PIC in an apartment at 325 East 92nd Street, New York, New York, had claimed that LEE HARVEY OSWALD had threatened her with a knife.

Sergeant PIC said that in about August, 1952, he and his wife, Mrs. MARGARET PIC, also known as "Marge" were living in an apartment at 325 East 92nd Street, New York, New York, at which time Sergeant PIC was a member of the U. S. Coast Guard stationed at the Coast Guard Port Security Unit, Ellis Island, New York. The apartment at 325 East 92nd Street was actually rented by Mrs. PIC's mother, Mrs. MARY FUHRMAN and Sergeant and Mrs. PIC were only occupying the apartment temporarily while Mrs. FUHRMAN was away visiting.

Sergeant PIC said that to his best recollection it was sometime in August 1952 that his mother, Mrs. MARGUERITE OSWALD and her son LEE HARVEY OSWALD (a half-brother of Sergeant PIC) came to New York City to visit the PICs. Sergeant PIC remarked that in reality he believed his mother intended to stay permanently with the PICs although she had indicated she was merely there on a visit. At this time LEE HARVEY OSWALD was twelve years old and would become thirteen years old in October, 1952. This was the first time Mrs. OSWALD

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and finally PIC stated he could do nothing more about his mother's lack of interest in his own future and decided he desired nothing more than to leave home. Accordingly in January, 1950 he joined the U. S. Coast Guard, being sworn in in Dallas, Texas, about January 25, 1950. He remained in the Coast Guard until January 31, 1956, and since February 1, 1956, has been in the U. S. Air Force.

PIC said both of his half-brothers, ROBERT and LEE HARVEY OSWALD, entered the U. S. Marines as soon as they were old enough to do so and he expressed the belief that each of them did this in order to get away from Mrs. OSWALD. He mentioned that neither they nor he did this with any idea of abandoning her as he stated all three of them in fact "sent the woman money" while in the military service.

Sergeant PIC said he had no recollection of Mrs. OSWALD and LEE HARVEY OSWALD having damaged table cloths or furniture while living with the PIC in New York in August, 1952 as previously mentioned.

Sergeant PIC observed that from the time he entered the U. S. Coast Guard in January, 1950 (when LEE HARVEY OSWALD was only about ten years old) he previously visited his home in Fort Worth, Texas, once, in about October, 1950, and did not again see Mrs. OSWALD or LEE HARVEY OSWALD until August, 1952, in New York City as detailed above. Then, from August, 1952 he did not see or communicate with LEE HARVEY OSWALD until Thanksgiving 1962 for only a few hours on that occasion, (PIC noting that he had explained that contact in a previous interview with agents of the FBI) and has never seen or had any correspondence with him since Thanksgiving, 1962.

Following the interview with Sergeant PIC's wife on December 10, 1963, Sergeant PIC advised that after hearing her account at that time of LEE HARVEY OSWALD threatening her with a knife, he did recall Mrs. PIC having told him of that matter but stated he had forgotten all about it as he had not known what to believe at the time and had not regarded it seriously in any event because LEE HARVEY OSWALD was only twelve years of age at the time.